



The Parish Community of
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
 August 21, 2016**

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Mr. Jim Eickholt (419) 231-1146

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Mrs. Tina Weber (419) 453-3513

Parish Office: Located in the Parish Center

Office hours Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Parish Council:

Mr. Dave Ricker - President

Mr. Bradley Beining

Mr. Chad Knippen

Mr. David Fischbach

Mr. Steve Schroeder

Mrs. Doris Brinkman

Mrs. Nancy Hohlbein

Mrs. Tina Koester

Mrs. Teresa Schnipke

Cemetery Sexton: Nancy Vetter - (419) 453-3131

Cemetery Board President:

Mr. Jim Eickholt - (419) 453-3684

REGULAR PARISH SCHEDULE:

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

Daily Masses:

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday: 7:00 PM on the 2nd & 4th & 5th Tuesdays

Wednesday and Thursday: 8:10 AM

Friday: 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:15 p.m.

Baptism: First-time parents need to attend baptism instruction (preferably before the birth of your first child). Baptisms are celebrated anytime agreeable with Fr. Jerry. To arrange Baptism or Instruction, please call the parish office at (419) 453-3513.

Marriage: The Diocese of Toledo requests all marriage dates be set at the parish office at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Couples must make an appointment to speak with Father Jerry before the date is scheduled.

Joy-Filled Marriage Workshop: The next two day program at Immaculate Conception will be November 5-6, 2016. For a list of workshops in the area or to register, visit jfmtoledo.eventbrite.com.

New parishioners may register as members of our parish family by calling the Parish Office.

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) is available for your regular weekly Sunday contribution. Forms are available in the church vestibule, the parish office lobby, or by calling the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513.

Please Note: Deadline to submit items for the weekly bulletin is Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. Please submit in writing, by email, or fax to (419) 453-2513.

Notary Services are available to all Parishioners free of charge in the Parish Office during normal business hours.

WEDDING BANNES: The following couples ask for your prayerful support as they prepare for Matrimony: *Adam Eickholt & Alicia Herman (III)*



BAPTISM: *Braxton Lee Risner*
 Son of Cody Lee and Emily (Kaufman) Risner

Dear Padre'

Question: Why are the archangels (St. Michael, St. Raphael, St. Gabriel) called "saints." One often has thought that only humans could become saints?

By definition all of God's holy angels are saints. Not all angels are holy, however, as some angels chose to follow Satan (Lucifer) instead of God. These bad angels, we come to refer as demons, they seek our ruin and give us cause to ask for the help of God's angels and saints in spiritual battle. It's easy and appropriate to refer to the angels we know as Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael because they are Holy, Heavenly Spirits who chose to side with God at the beginning of time instead of rebel against Him, like Satan and his demons did. Even the patriarchs of the Old Testament (Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, David, etc.) are called saints because they lived lives of faithfulness to God. Any inhabitant of heaven is a saint because heaven is a place where nothing unclean shall enter (that's referenced in Rev 21:27).

We know the names of certain angels. Thus we call them saints. Looking at Michael for example, to be seen as a saint, is very good. He is looked on as special for being an opponent of Satan. All saints are looked on as special for that very reason, their an opponent of evil.

But, "saint" here as a title really means "Holy" as Holy Michael is an archangel, not a saint, technically speaking. Both angels and archangels are the two lower ranks of the heavenly beings. Angels are messengers for God and are protectors of human beings. Archangels carry more important messages and fight more significant battles. Anyone in heaven is a saint and certain ones are declared such by the Church. The fact is that some were never officially canonized helps us to understand them as "Holy".

Now for the word "saint." Usually when people use this word they are referring to those holy men and women who came before us and who are now in heaven praying for us. When you use the word "saint" in that way, then the difference between the angels and the saints is in their nature.

Angels are spirits, God made to exist without a body. The saints (as I am using the term here), however, are spirits that were once united to a human body and were made for unity with that body. While the angels are complete in and of themselves, the spirits of saintly men and women are in a sense incomplete because they are without the body they once had. When Jesus finally comes again and the justice and mercy of God's judgments is made known to all the world, then these saints will be united with their bodies once again. Our word "saint" comes from the Latin word *sanctus*, which means "holy, sacred." This general sense of the word is how it is most often used in the Bible.

Let us not forget the good example of the angels and the saints and let us strive to be more like them in word and deed. It's good to know in a way "sainthood" is not something that is strictly reserved for the afterlife. It's a way of life. We can be saints here and now, by living lives of grace and holiness.

~Padre Jerry

The **31st Annual St. George Deanery Battle of the Youth** will be hosted here at Immaculate Conception Parish on October 2nd. Adults and college aged volunteers are needed to help organize games. There will be a planning meeting on August 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the ICY room located on the second floor of the Parish Center. Contact Renee Kelch with questions or suggestions.

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*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time***LITURGIES**

Saturday (8/20) 4:00 p.m. Tony, Marie, and Mike Langhals and the Living & Deceased Members of the Ike Miller Family

Sunday (8/21) 10:30 a.m. Tom Burgei and Ursula Wenzlick

Tuesday (8/23) 7:00 p.m. Krystal Byrne, Ray Wenzlick, Herman and Janice Wenzlick Myers

Wednesday (8/24) 8:10 a.m. Edward & Michael and Ed Garlock

Thursday (8/25) 8:10 a.m. Ray, Mildred, and Ralph "Wolfie" Wannemacher

Friday (8/26) 8:00 a.m. Carla Landin
3:00 p.m. Mass at VanCrest of Delphos

Saturday (8/27)
1:00 p.m. Wedding: Adam Eickholt and Alicia Herman
4:00 p.m. Norbert & Alicia Heitmeyer and Alice Kemper
Sunday (8/28) 10:30 a.m. Paul and Mildred Rayman

Flowers in front of the Altar this week are in memory of Tom Burgei.

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS OF MASS SERVERS:

Weekday Mass Servers (8/23 at 7:00 p.m., 8/24 and 8/25 at 8:10 a.m.): Trey Landwehr, Jacob Ricker, Alex Suever

SATURDAY (8/27) 4:00 p.m.

Mass Servers: Paige Hoersten, Cody Kemper, Trenton Ricker

Lector: Theresa Von Sossan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Host - Kathleen Beining, Jann Eickholt, Ann Hemker, Sharon Meyer

Cup - Jerry and Angie Hohlbein

Choir - Jill Wenzlick

Ushers: Jerry Kaverman, Gary Turnwald, Darrell Von Sossan, Randy Warnecke

Gifts: Volunteer

SUNDAY (8/28) 10:30 a.m.

Mass Servers: Evan Boecker, Cooper Hanneman, Carter Schnipke

Lector: Cheryl Beining

Eucharistic Ministers:

Host - Jim Hoersten, Ron Niemeyer, Julie Schimmoeller, Nancy Vetter

Cup - Sharon Brickner, Cherie Kemper

Choir - Virginia Beining

Ushers: Bill Beining, Duane Boecker, Ralph Brickner, John Vetter

Gifts: The Family of Paul and Mildred Rayman

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS (8/27-8/28):

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14

PRAY THE ROSARY (8/21 to 8/27): Rhonda Niemeyer, Lori Niemeyer, Mary Lou Niemeyer, Bonnie Niese, Kelly Moreno, Dolly Nussbaum, Jan Nussbaum

ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING: Kathy Wehri

COLLECTION REPORT: (Week of 8/21/16 - 8/22/16)

Budget: \$5,200.00

Sunday Collection: 3,411.00

Under Budget \$-1,789.00

Parish Center = \$177.00 Church Repair Fund = \$5.00
Assumption of Mary = \$195.00

Fort Fest - A Salute to Our Military is being held in Ft. Jennings this weekend and features the Traveling Vietnam Wall. See details at www.fortjenningspark.com or visit the Fort Fest Facebook page.

BAKE SALE after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 28th. 7 Junior Girl Scouts are working on their Bronze Award with the goal of raising money to purchase bingo prizes for the residents at The Meadows of Kalida. Donations of baked goods would be appreciated. For more information, contact Beth Horstman at bethandkevin@bright.net or Shannon Geise at shannonmh@bright.net.

A photo will be taken for the new church directory of those volunteers who sew for Little Dresses for Africa. Please meet in the Parish Office after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 28th.

Women's Health & Fertility Seminar - Saturday, August 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Parish Center in Glandorf. Leading physicians, experts, and real women will share insights about reproductive healthcare for women (infertility, fertility, PCOS, endometriosis, etc.), including NaProTECHNOLOGY, which is medically unmatched and ethically sound. Experience an engaging day of learning and reflecting on authentic women's health, including how to better accompany others in what can be a very difficult and confusing journey. Cost is \$15/individual, \$25/couple, teens and clergy are free. Contact Monica Martinez in the Diocesan Office for Marriage and Family at (419) 244-6711, ext. 4918 or mmartinez@toledodiocese.org with questions. You can register online at www.tdfertilityseminar.eventbrite.com.

Donations are currently being collected for the **Adult and Kids Raffle Booths for the Ottoville Park Carnival**. To donate cash or an item contact Michelle Kortokrax at (419) 234-7600 or Marilyn Calvelage at (419-605-7897 or (419) 453-3219. Donations may also be mailed to: Ottoville Park Board, P.O. Box 577, Ottoville, Ohio 45876. Deadline for donations is August 28th. Thank you for your support of this great cause.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

~ A **MAKE-UP photography date** has been scheduled for those who were unable to participate in the last 3 months of photography sessions. Those dates will be Friday, September 9th from 3 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, September 10th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Those who have not had their family portrait taken should contact Tina in the Parish Office by September 2nd. If not enough families sign up, those dates will be cancelled.

~ Individual or family photos may still be submitted by emailing to immac@bright.net or dropping off at the Parish Office no later than September 1st.

~ **Military Personnel and Veterans** will be honored with a page in the new directory. **To make sure your name or the name of a living loved one's name is included on the list, feel free to email the Parish Office at immac@bright.net or call (419) 453-3513 by August 31st.**

~ **FEEDBACK** on your experience with LifeTouch Photography would be greatly appreciated. Please call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513 or place a note in the collection basket addressed to Tina.

33 Day Transformation Experience: A Journey to Total Consecration to Jesus... These 33 days will prepare individuals and families for total consecration to Jesus through Mary and begins September 4th. Receive daily e-mail reflections, weekly videos, and a personalized consecrated certificate, which you will receive at a special Mass with Bishop Thomas on October 7th. For more information or to sign up, visit www.33days.eventbrite.com.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo joins people across the country praying for the **Louisiana flood victims** who perished and the tens of thousands now homeless from the devastating flooding from last weekend's deadly storms. If you would like to support the disaster relief efforts, your donation, dollar for dollar, will be passed on to our sister Catholic Charities agency. You can send your check, designated for "Louisiana Recovery," to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. Thank you and God bless!

The annual **Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women** will host their *fall conference* on Saturday, September 24th at St. Alphonsus Parish, Peru/Norwalk. The theme of this year's conference is "Be Merciful, As Your Father is Merciful." Fr. Ron Cameron, CPM, Mission Director, Fathers of Mercy, will be the conference speaker. Pat Oedy-Murray, theology teacher at Lourdes University, will also present. The conference runs from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and includes morning snacks and lunch. Any lady of the Parish interested in attending should contact Anne Landwehr at (419) 453-3391 by September 12th. Ladies will carpool together.

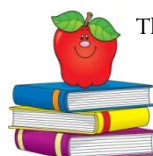
"Twas the Night Before School Started"

Twas the night before school started when all through the town the parents were cheering, it was a riotous sound.

By eight the kids were washed and tucked into bed when memories of homework filled them with dread.

New pencils, new folders, new notebooks too, new teachers, new friends, the anxiety grew.

The parents just giggled when they heard of this fright and shouted upstairs - GO TO BED -





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-Author Unknown